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STATE SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE REORGANIZED: The state office has been reorganized to provide more efficient service and leadership to school districts. A new staff list has been mailed to school administrators. Along with the reorganization, Superintendent of Public Instruction Dolores Colburg has spelled out several goals and priorities for her office. Among these are school district organization, more equitable school financing and continued emphasis on vocational and pre-school education.

ADP EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE FROM STATE OFFICE: An IBM 402 Alpha Accounting Machine, Model 1A-1 and an IBM 602 Calculating Punch, Model 1, will be made available to the Montana school district submitting the most reasonable bid for purchase. The equipment has been used by the Superintendent's office and is suitable for a variety of instructional and/or administrative uses. Bids should be directed to Mr. Wilbur J. Woods, Data Processing Supervisor, Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, Helena 59601 no later than April 30, 1970. Additional information can be obtained from Mr. Woods.

SCHOOL DISTRICT ORGANIZATION will be the focus of the 22nd Annual Conference of School Administrators scheduled for April 13-14 in Helena.

MONTANA ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS will hold a business meeting following the April 14 afternoon session of the 22nd Annual Conference of School Administrators in Helena. Exact time and place of the MASA meeting will be announced during the conference.

THE 40TH ANNUAL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE of the Future Farmers of America will be held in Bozeman on April 3-4. Harry Birdwell, National FFA President, Fletcher, Oklahoma, will be the featured guest for the 1970 conference.

BUSINESS YOUTH LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE is scheduled for March 6 and 7 at Montana State University, Bozeman. Participation is open to organized business-oriented youth groups.

ROBERT Q. CREBO, Music Supervisor for the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, has been appointed as the Northwest Regional Representative in a national project of the Music Educators National Conference. Mr. Crebo will serve on a committee established to make a thorough study of the impact of technology on music education in the United States.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE TEACHERS: Don't forget to send Project Exchange ideas to Keith Crosbie, Foreign Languages Supervisor, Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction. A contribution from every language teacher in Montana is essential for success of the project.

THE INLAND EMPIRE EDUCATION ASSOCIATION will hold its annual meeting, April 8-10 in Spokane, Washington.

VO-ED SUMMER COURSES: Washington State University at Pullman, Washington, is offering several courses in vocational education ranging in length from two to eight weeks between June 22 and August 14, 1970. Course offerings include curriculum development, administration and supervision for vocational technical education programs as well as more specialized courses in home economics and agricultural education. For further information contact Dr. William A. Bakamis, Vocational-Technical Education Division, Department of Education, Washington State University, Pullman 99163.

HELP FOR LIBRARY PLANNERS: Schools planning to build libraries or expand or remodel existing facilities may borrow, free of charge, a building folder, slides, and program statements for libraries of all types. For detailed information write Virginia W. Baker, Professional Assistant, Library Administration Division, American Library Association, 50 East Huron Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611.

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF TEACHERS OF MATHEMATICS and the Idaho Council of Teachers of Mathematics are sponsoring a mathematics conference at Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, April 9-11. The conference will feature outstanding educators in the field of mathematics education. Information is available from James D. Gates, Executive Secretary, National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, 1201 Sixteenth Street N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036.

ELECTIVE-COURSE ENGLISH CURRICULUM is the topic of a one-day workshop sponsored by the western branch of the Montana Association of Teachers of English for secondary English teachers and administrators. The workshop is scheduled for March 14 at the South Shore Inn, Polson. The session convenes at 10 a.m. and will include a no-host luncheon. More details will be available later from schools in the MEA western district or from William Ferguson, English Supervisor, Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

MONTANA DISTRIBUTIVE EDUCATION CLUBS will sponsor a state leadership conference at the Northern Hotel, Billings, April 2-4. Details are available from Miss Janet Hughes, Business Education Supervisor, Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

PROJECT "TNT" (TRAINING NEW TEACHERS): Applications are now being accepted for EPDA B-2 grants for spring or summer quarter. EPDA Bulletin No. 3 gives full details on eligibility. Contact Herman Tushaus, Education Professions Development Supervisor, Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction for forms and further information.